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SUBJECT: DELTA-FLOMERCA PROBLEM

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1. RECARDO QUEZADA, DELTA LINES LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE, TOLD EMBOFF AFTERNOON APRIL 16 THAT HE HAS NOT YET RECEIVED INSTRUC-TIONS FROM DELTA MANAGEMENT TO CONTACT FLOMERCA. EMBASSY BELIEVES IT ESSENTIAL THAT MOMENTUM OF DELTA/FLOMERCA TALKS IN MARCH BE MAINTAINED AND IS CONCERNED ABOUT CONSEQUENCES OF ANY MIS-UNDERSTANDING AS TO WHO IS TO CALL WHOM. AS WE REPORTED REF-TELECON, MIRON OF FLOMERCA INFORMED FERCH DURING COURSE OF UN-RELATED CONVERSATION THAT FLOMERCA WAS WAITING FOR DELTA TO AD-VISE WHEN IT WISHED TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC PROPOSALS. WHEN DELTA OFFICIALS DEPARTED GUATEMALA IN MARCH, THEY MADE ROUGHLY CONVERSE STATEMENT, I.E., NEXT STEP IS FOR FLOMERCA CONSIDER DELTA'S PROPOSALS AND ADVISE DELTA WHEN IT WISHES BEGIN NEGOTIA-TIONS. THE APPEARANCE IS ONE OF MISUNDERSTANDING. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY BELIEVES DEPARTMENT SHOULD AGAIN CONTACT CLARK OR HAROLSON OF DELTA TO INQUIRE CURRENT STATUS NEGOTIATIONS. IF DELTA OFFICIALS MAINTAIN THEY ARE STILL WAITING AND AGAIN SUGGEST FLOMERCA IS STALLING, DEPARTMENT SHOULD URGE DELTA TAKE INITIATIVE AND CONTACT FLOMERCA. IF FLOMERCA IS INDEED STALLING, ITS BLUFF SHOULD BE CALLED. IF IT IS NOT, A DELTA INITIATIVE WILL AT LEAST LAY TO REST MISUNDERSTANDINGS. MELOY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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